Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #27651

UTC)

From:

Jim Cronin <jjcro2112@hotmail.com>

Sent: To: Tuesday, December 10, 2013 4:29 PM EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

Public comment

## To whom it may concern:

As a resident who resides near the rail lines in downtown Spokane, Wa., I oppose increasing the amount of crude oil for rail shipment/export. This activity would increase the chances for contamination of the area I live in (as well as other areas in the Northwest). Also, it encourages fracking and environmental degradation of Montana and North Dakota. I oppose increased rail noise pollution and the proposed tar sands transportation of crude. Instead we as a society should focus on cleaner forms of energy development.

James Cronin 2525 Maxwell Ave Spokane, Wa. 99201

UTC)

From:

lance.m.necessary@tsocorp.com

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:00 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

#### **Dear EFSEC Commissioners**

I am a Tesoro employee from Alaska and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

This terminal will also contribute to energy independence in the United States. Because of my job, I understand the market demand for moving crude oil to West Coast refineries. This terminal will make the transportation of crude oil from the Bakken and other regions more accessible and reduce the amount of crude U.S. refineries are currently forced to purchase from international sources. By allowing U.S. crude to move through a U.S. terminal to U.S. refineries, Tesoro and Savage are supporting U.S. energy independence and creating U.S. jobs.

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Lance Necessary

#### **Docket EF-131590**

UTC)

From: Sent: Joseph Robustelli <robustja@gmail.com> Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:01 PM

To:

**EFSEC (UTC)** 

Subject:

Reference Application No. 2013-01/Docket No. EF-131590: Please reject the proposed

Tesoro Savage oil export terminal project

**Dear Governor Inslee and Washington EFSEC:** 

I urge you to assess the full impact of Tesoro Savage's proposal to ship 360,000 barrels of oil each day through Spokane, the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Vancouver and the Columbia River. Oil-by-rail and export by ship is a bad deal for Washington State and the entire Northwest region. The project comes at a steep price for rail and river communities throughout the state and along the Columbia River, yet offers few jobs in return. Based on the far reaching impacts of this project, I urge you to deny Tesoro Savage's unprecedented proposal.

The public safety and environmental impacts of the state's largest pipeline-on-wheels proposal deserve close scrutiny. For example, EFSEC must assess:

- •The potential impacts of a large train-related oil spill along the rail route in Washington and beyond.
- •The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route. This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.
- •The increased risk of an oil tanker spill on Washington State waters and along the shipping route.
- •The project's impact on climate change. This analysis should include climate change impacts from crude oil as well as tar sands oil from cradle to grave.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the project, I respectfully ask you to deny Tesoro Savage's application.

Thank you.

Joseph Robustelli

#### **Docket EF-131590**

(UTC)

From:

james.w.farrer@tsocorp.com

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:02 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, James Farrer

Docket EF-131590

UTC)

From: Sent: marilu.c.moreno-jones@tsocorp.com Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:05 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Marilu Moreno-Jones

Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #27656

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From: kevin.d.condren@tsocorp.com

Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:09 PM

To: EFSEC (UTC)

**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

#### **Dear EFSEC Commissioners**

I am a Tesoro employee from California and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Kevin Condren

(UTC)

Docket EF-131590

From:

cameron.r.hunt@tsocorp.com

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:18 PM

To:

**EFSEC (UTC)** 

Subject:

**Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal** 

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Cameron Hunt

Docket EF-131590

UTC)

From:

Joe.C.Hughey@tsocorp.com

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:21 PM

To:

**EFSEC (UTC)** 

Subject:

Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

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I am a Tesoro employee from Alaska and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

I have been a Tesoro employee for 13 years and know we highly value and protect our environment in Alaska. We strive to do our work in a safe manner at all times at our refinery and I am sure the same can be said about our sister refinery in Anacortes. Yes, this distribution terminal will greatly benefit Tesoro, but it will also greatly benefit the communities involved and our country as a whole. We owe it to ourselves to be proactive in making the most of our natural resources in a responsible manner. Our country's people need jobs, infrastructure and energy to build our way into the future. I did not want to just send a form letter, I wanted you to hear from me. Please give this project a fair shake and don't let those who would try to derail it take away the focus on what is best for our country.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Joe Hughey

Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #27659

(UTC)

From: micheal.d.ussery@tsocorp.com

Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:22 PM

**To:** EFSEC (UTC)

**Subject:** Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Micheal Ussery

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#### Docket EF-131590

From: Sent: richard.m.malston@tsocorp.com Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:24 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Richard Malston

**Docket EF-131590** 

UTC)

From: Sent: leander.g.menefee@tsocorp.com Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:42 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

**Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal** 

#### **Dear EFSEC Commissioners**

I am a Tesoro employee from Texas and am writing in support of the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal. As a Tesoro employee, I stand behind the company's commitment to safety and the environment. I have firsthand experience of how important safe, clean, and efficient operations are to Tesoro.

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Sincerely, L. Garrett Menefee

Docket EF-131590

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From:

Chiliparra1@me.com

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:44 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

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Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely, Albert Parra

# Docket EF-131590

UTC)

From:

Diane Krell-Bates < diane\_krellbates@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:46 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

Reference Application No. 2013-01/Docket No. EF-131590: Please reject the proposed

Tesoro Savage oil export terminal project

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Thank you.

Diane Krell-Bates

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Docket EF-131590

From: Jennifer Harris <jennharris1@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:49 PM

To: EFSEC (UTC)

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Thank you.

Jennifer Harris

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From: Tide Tide <unstoppable\_tide@riseup.net>
Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2013 6:23 PM

To: EFSEC (UTC)

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After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the project, I respectfully ask you to deny Tesoro Savage's application.

There should no longer be any question that we must block and deny anything which threatens the climate systems in which life as we know it has evolved and to which that life is adapted. We cannot exist without the global climate system we have and the edible plants and animals supported by it, which in turn support us.

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From: Sent: Tina Bowers <ctrrbowers@gmail.com> Tuesday, December 10, 2013 6:42 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

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After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the project, I respectfully ask you to deny Tesoro Savage's application.

Thank you.

**Tina Bowers** 

# Tesoro Savage CBR Docket EF-131590

Scoping Comment #27667

(UTC)

From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Danielle Davis

<davis.daniellea@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2013 7:27 PM

To: EFSEC (UTC)

Subject: Comment on Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01

Dec 10, 2013

Mr. Stephen Posner P.O. Box 43172 Olympia, WA 98504-3172

Dear Mr. Posner,

I'm writing regarding Docket No. EF-131590, Application No. 2013-01 to urge the Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) to assess the full environmental and public safety impact of the joint Tesoro-Savage proposal to turn the Port of Vancouver into a major crude oil export terminal.

If approved, the plan would result in 380,000 barrels of oil each day being shipped through Spokane, the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Vancouver and other Northwest communities. Oil-by-rail is a bad deal for Washington State. The project comes at a steep price for rail communities and the Columbia River, yet offers few jobs in return. Based on the far reaching impacts of this project, I urge you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's proposal.

The public safety and environmental impacts of this proposal deserve close scrutiny. For example, EFSEC must assess:

1) The potential safety and environmental impacts of a large train-related oil spill or explosion along the rail route in Washington and beyond. Recent derailment disasters in Lac-Mégantic, Quebec and Alabama have shown that these risks are far too real. The tragedy in Quebec, in particular, highlighted the extreme danger of the same type of oil and tankers that would be traveling through our communities.

Forty-seven people died in that explosion, which also devastated the town.

- 2) The increased risk of an oil tanker spill on Washington State waters and along the shipping route.
- 3) The transportation and public health impacts of additional unit train traffic through communities along the proposed oil-by-rail route.

This includes evaluating emergency response capabilities in Vancouver, where oil trains would deliver and store oil, and other communities along the rail and shipping route.

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- 5) The impact of the project's cradle-to-grave CO2 emissions on the viability of the large oyster industry in Washington State.

After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the proposed oil terminal, I respectfully ask you to recommend the rejection of Tesoro-Savage's application.

Tesoro Savage CBR Scoping Comment #27668

(UTC)

From:

Nancy Hedrick < nancy@getbodysmart.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 7:48 PM

To: EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

Proposed Oil Terminal in Vancouver

Dear Mr. Posner & Council,

The implications of having Vancouver the "hub" of oil exports are huge beginning with some obvious reasons:

- > Undermines new growth of downtown retail businesses
- > Stops new mixed-use construction projects that are crucial to any healthy city
- > Reduces current and future property values
- > Severely impacts people's mobility who live and work in downtown Vancouver and along the waterways and rail routes
- > Potential oil spills that would pollute the Columbia River ruining animal and fish habitats and endangering plant life

And what about the Columbia River Gorge? It is one of the most beautiful scenic areas in Washington and Oregon if not in the United States! Driving this scenic highway parallels the railroad for miles. Tourists would seldom experience the tranquility and magnificent views of the Gorge with trains constantly rumbling through it not to mention the huge negative impact on the region's residents and businesses.

I have lived in the Northwest all my life and have always believed that Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Alaska and Montana were committed to preserving this part of our country. As North westerners, we take pride in the natural beauty of our forests, ocean beaches and rivers. We are the stewards of keeping these landscapes clean and healthy and to protect the wildlife. The Northwest has always put quality of life as number one. What a depressing legacy we would leave to future generations by allowing ugly, noisy oil tankers to crisscross our Northwest. One rail or barge accident would be an environment disaster and ruin the pristine beauty of the Columbia River Gorge for decades.

Thank you for your time to compile the public responses to this incredibly important environmental issue and weighing the many factors affecting our Northwest communities.

Nancy Hedrick

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# **Docket EF-131590**

From: Sent: Karen Curry <pink50peony@yahoo.com> Tuesday, December 10, 2013 9:00 PM

To:

EFSEC (UTC)

Subject:

Reference Application No. 2013-01/Docket No. EF-131590: Please reject the proposed

Tesoro Savage oil export terminal project

Dear Governor Inslee and Washington EFSEC:

PLease assess the full impact of Tesoro Savage's proposal to ship 360,000 barrels of oil each day through Spokane, the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Vancouver and the Columbia River. Oil-by-rail and export by ship is a bad deal for Washington State and the entire Northwest region. The project comes at a steep price for rail and river communities throughout the state and along the Columbia River, yet offers few jobs in return. Based on the far reaching impacts of this project, I urge you to deny Tesoro Savage's unprecedented proposal.

The public safety and environmental impacts of the state's largest pipeline-on-wheels proposal deserve close scrutiny. For example, EFSEC must assess:

- •The potential impacts of a large train-related oil spill along the rail route in Washington and beyond.
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After carefully considering the safety, environmental, and climate risks associated with the project, I respectfully ask you to deny Tesoro Savage's application. Please, no.

Thank you.

Karen Curry

# Docket EF-131590

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To:

Sent:

ray aisen <raisen1@comcast.net>

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 9:04 PM

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Thank you.

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Docket EF-131590

From: Sent: Nicole Holstein <nic.holstein@gmail.com> Tuesday, December 10, 2013 9:34 PM

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Thank you.

Nicole Holstein